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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
INCREASING THE CAPACITY OF ION  
EXCHANGE RESINS

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8**

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

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Sir/Madam:

Responsive to the Final Action dated March 31, 2005, applicant cancels rejected Claims 1 and 3, cancels non-elected claims 10-23, requests that the following amendments to Claims 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 be entered, and requests that new Claim 24 be entered, as follows:

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